

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed activity in King and Queen County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

May 14, 2013 to June 4, 2013

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing the proposed issuance of a CG-4424 Permit for Marine Event for the Mattaponi Madness Drag Boat Event on the Mattaponi River on June 22, 2013 to determine whether the event would be consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water, and other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. Department of Homeland Security: U.S. Coast Guard

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Coast Guard intends to issue a CG-4424 Permit for Marine Event to the Mattaponi Volunteer Rescue Squad, the event sponsor, for the Mattaponi Madness Drag Boat Event. The regulated area includes the Mattaponi River adjacent to Rainbow Acres Campground, King and Queen County, bounded on the east by a line along longitude 076-52-43 and on the west by a line along longitude 076-53-41.

The Coast Guard has an established Special Local Regulation promulgated to promote safety on the navigable waters before, during, and after the event. Because of a date change, the Coast Guard will issue a Temporary Final Rule to reflect the new date.

The Coast Guard states that the proposed event is consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax, or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project document at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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